A CHURCH PAIR

Yes, they've had their old church fair, in spite o' what I said. An' 'twas a lotlery too, I swear, An' O' that I were dead!

For ever since I recerlect
This church has been my pride,
An' never did I dream nor 'spect
But 'twould be till I died.'

But this old church I loved so well The Devil has got in, An' turned in o a gamblin' hell— Play games of chance to win.

I used to be a shinm' light Within this very church, An' alcut an' sing with all my might, An' lead when in a lurch; Now stylish folks have moved in here

Who are too PROUD TO PRAY, an' say that 'I am old an' queer, n' have outlived my day."

They have their sewin' bees an' sich.
To make thin's for the fair,
(But tho' I never took a titch,
Nor never 'vited there.)

An' they make quilts an' pretty thin's Of silks an satins five, An' give 'em to the gal that wins, Which makes the others whine.

An' there was squint-eved Sally Brown,-An' what do you suppose?—
Voied "the prittiest gai in town,"
An' moles upon her nose!

An' there is Susan West, Who is a reg'lar jill, Was voted to be "pop'larest," An' got the crazy quit!

An' I 'eard Willie Jones, the lad.
Bay that "Twa'n't no fair shake!"
An' -wore that he was more an' mad—
"Cause Moily took the cake!"

For, oh, la mel 'Twas Molly Wake I thought should get the quist, An' then to think she store a cake!— I know I'll surely wilt. To think she'd sacrifice her place.

(For she's the parson's wife)
An even cause the church disgrace
By enter'n' in the strife!

But now my race is nearly run, I soon shall be at rest— Soon be where 's no "prettiest one," An' none are "pop'larest!"

I'll be within a better church, A pisce with han's not built, Where there will be no fuss no 10 get a crazy quilt!

For well I know that up on high
They would not even care
To practice gamblin' on the s y,
An' style it 'A church fair."

—Will Granger in Cleveland Leader.

Destiny of the English Race.

Let us consider now to what conclusions the rapidly and unabated steadiness of the increase of the English race in America must lead us as we go on to forecast the future. Carlyle somewhere speaks slightingly of the fact that the Americans double their numbers every twenty years, as if to have forty million dollar-hunters in the world were any beter than to have twenty million dollarhunters. The implication that Americans are nothing but dollar-hunters, and are thereby distinguishable from the rest of mankind, would not perhaps bear too elaborate scrutiny. But we have been considering the gradual transfer of the preponderance of physical strength from the hands of the war-loving portion of the human race into the hands of the peace-loving portion—into the hands of the dollar-hunters, if you please, but out of the hands of the scalp-hunters. Ob-viously to double the numbers of a preeminently industrious, peaceful, orderly, and free-thinking community is some what to increase the weight in the world of the tendencies that go toward making communities free and orderly and peaceful and industrious. So that, from this point of view, the fact we are speaking of is well worth considering, even for its phy-sical dimensions. I do not know whether the United States could support a population everywhere as dense as that of Belgium, so I will suppose that with ordinary improvement in cultivation and in the industrial arts, we might support a population half as dense as that of Belglum, and this is no doubt an extremely moderate supposition. Now, a very simple operation in arithmetic will show that this means a population of fifteen hundred millions, or more than the population of the whole world at the present date. Another very simple opera-tion in arithmetic will show that if we were to go on doubling our numbers even once in every twenty-five years, we should reach the stupendous figure at about the close of the twentieth century, that is, in the days of our great-great-grandchildren. I do not predict any such result, for there are discernable economic reasons for be-lieving that there will be a diminution in the rate of increase. The rate must nevertheless continue to be very great in the absence of such causes as formerly retarded the growth of population in Europe. Our modern wars are hideous enough, no doubt, but they are short. They are settled with a few heavy blows, and the loss of life and property blows, and the loss of life and property occasioned by them is but trifling when compared with the awful ruin and desolation wrought by the perpetual and protracted contests of antiquity and of the Middle Ages. Chronic warfare, both private and public, periodic famines, and sweeping pestilence like the Black Death—these were the things which formerly shortened human life and kent down shortened human life and kept down population. In the absence of such causes, and with the abundant capacity of our country for feeding its people, I think it an extremely moderate statement if we say that by the end of the next century the English race in the United States will number at least six or seven hundred millions.

In the United States of America a century hence we shall therefore doubt-

world—Gibraltar, Malta, the Isthmus of Sues, Aden, Ceylon, the coasts of Australia, island after island in the Pacific tralia, island after island in the Pacificevery station, in short, that commands
the pathways of maritime commerce, or
guards the approaches to the barbarous
countries which she is begining to regard as in some way her natural heritage. Any well-filled album of postage
stamps is an eloquent commentary on
this maritime supremacy of England.
It is enough to turn one's head to look
over her colonial blue-books. The natural outcome of all this overflowing tural outcome of all this overflowing vitality it is not difficult to foresee. No one can carefully watch what is going on in Africa to-day without recognizing it as the same sort of thing which was going lions and long-eared elephants, and negro fetich-worshippers. Already five flour-ishing English States have been established in the south, besides the settlements on the Gold Coast, and those at Aden commanding the Red Sea. English explorers work their way with infinite hardship through its untraveled wilds, and track the courses of the Concordinated by the plates on which they Australia we find a country of more than two thirds the area of the United States, with a temperate climate and immense resources, agricultural and mineral, a country sparsely peopled by a race of irredeemable savages hardly above the level of brutes. Here England within the present century has planted five greatly thriving states, concerning which I have not time to say much, but one fact will serve for an example. When in America we wish to illustrate in one word the wonderful growth of our so-called Northwestern States, we refer to Chicago, a city of half a million inhabitants standing on a spot which fifty years ago was an uninhabited marsh. In years ago was an uninhabited marsh. In Australia the city of Melbourne was founded in 1837, the year when the present Queen of England began to reign, and the state of which it is the capital was hence called Victoria. This public library of 200,000 volumes, and has a university with at least one professor of world-wide renown. When we see, by-the-way, within a period of five years, and at such remote points upon the earth's surface, such erudite and ponderous works in the English language issuing from the press as those of Professor Hearn of Melbourne, of Bishop Colenso of Natal, and of Mr. Hubert Bancroft of San Francisco, even such a little commonplace fact as this is fraught with wonderfal significance when we think of all that it implies. Then there is New Zealand, with its climate of perpetual spring, where the English race is now multiplying faster than anywhere else in the world, unless it be in Texas and Minnesota. And there are in the Pacific

going on. It is not necessary to dwell upon such point to the general conclusion that the work which the English race began when it colonized North America is destined to go on until every land on the earth's surface that is not already the seat of an old civilization shall become ent railway pool.

—Texas hotel keepers contemplate forming a hotel pool similar to the present railway pool. English in its language, in its religion, in its political habits and traditions, and to a predominant extent in the blood of its people. The day is at hand when four-fifths of the hu while all their friends are urging and the shores of Virginia and Massachusetts. The language spoken by these communities will not be sundered into dialects like the language of the ancient Romans, but perpetual intercommunica-tion and the universal habit of reading and writing will present its integrity, and the world's business will be transacted by English-speaking people to so great an extent that whatever language any man may have learned in his infancy, he will find it necessary sooner or later to learn or express his thoughts in English. And in this way it is by no means improbable that, as Jacob Grimm long since predicted, the language of Shakespeare will ultimately become the language of mankind.

Ocean many rich and fertile spots where

we shall very soon see the same things

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less have a political aggregation immeasurably surpassing in power and in dimensions any empire that has yet existed. But we must now consider for a moment the probable future career of the first works. Scott obtained £110,000 the English was in other parts of the for closen nearly and pine volumes of a moment the probable future career of the English race in other parts of the world. The colonization of North America by Englishmen had its direct effects apon the eastern as well as upon the western side of the Atlantic. The immense growth of the commercial and naval strength of England between the time of the elder Pitt was intimately connected with the colonization of North America and the establishment of plantations in the West Indies.

These circumstances reacted powerfully upon the material development, of England, multiplying manifold the dimensions of her foreign trade, increasing proportionately her commercial marine, and giving her in the eighteenth century the dominion over the seas. Endowed with this maritime supremacy, ahe has with an unerring instinct proceeded to seize upon

the keys of empire in all parts of the states that his income from literary work

Eating off Gold.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

Mrs. Astor's supper to twenty of her in Africa to-day without recognizing it as the same sort of thing which was going on in North America in the seventeenth century; and it can not fail to bring forth similar results in course of time. Here is a vast country, rich in beautiful scenery, and in recources of timber and minerals, with a salubrious climate and fertile soil, with great navigable rivers and inland lakes, which will not much longer be left in control of tawny lions and long-eared elephants, and negro fetich-worshippers. Already five flour-

wilds, and track the courses of the Congo and the Nile as their forefathers tracked were served. The daintiest morsels and the Nile as their forefathers tracked the Potomac and the Hudson. The work of La Salle and Smith is finding its counterpart in the labors of Baker and Livingstone. Who can doubt that within two or three centuries the African continent will be occupied by a mighty nation of English descent, and covered with populous cities and flourishing farms, with railroads and telegraphs and free schools and other devices of civilization as yet. and other devices of civilization as yet covert glances were purely sentimental, undreamed of? If we look next to Australia we find a country of more No thank you, fine china ware is good enough for me."

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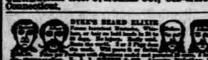
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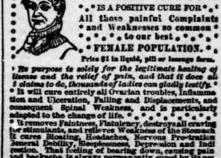
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